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BRITAIN RECOGNISES RUSSIA.

TREATY WITH SOVIETS.

RESTORING RUSSIA'S CREDIT.

NEGOTIATIONS IMMEDIATELY.

SETTLING OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, February 1.

Britain has recognised Soviet Russia.

[An earlier cable stated that the *Daily News* diplomatic correspondent said the Russian Government had informed the British Government of its willingness immediately upon recognition, to constitute a Mixed Commission for the examination of all outstanding questions, such as Russian debts, Anglo-Russian relations in the East, especially in India and Afghanistan, also trade schemes and Anglo-Russian Treaties.]

LATER.

The British Note invites the Russian Government to send to London at the earliest moment representatives armed with full powers to discuss matters like the existing treaties, the settlement of mutual claims, the restoration of Russia's credit, and the propaganda question; also to draft the preliminary bases of a complete treaty to settle all outstanding questions.

DEFINITE AGREEMENTS.

LONDON, February 1.

The text of the note, under to-day's date, was communicated to the Russian Government by the British trade representative, Mr. Hodgson. The note declares—

"I have the honour by direction of my Government, to inform your Excellency that they recognise the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics as the *de jure* rulers of those territories of the old Russian Empire which acknowledge their authority.

"In order, however, to create the normal conditions of complete friendly relations and full commercial intercourse, it will be necessary to conclude definite practical agreements on a variety of matters, some of which have no direct connection with the question of recognition, and some of which on the other hand are intimately bound up with the fact of recognition.

EXISTING TREATIES.

"In the latter category may be cited the question of existing treaties. His Majesty's Government are advised that recognition of the Soviet Government of Russia will, according to the accepted principles of international law, automatically bring into force all treaties concluded between the two countries previous to the Russian revolution, except where these have been denounced or have otherwise juridically lapsed. It is obviously to the advantage of both countries that the position with regard to these treaties should be regularised simultaneously with recognition.

PROPAGANDA.

"Technically not connected with recognition but clearly of the utmost importance are problems of the settlement of existing claims by the Government and nationals of one party against the other and the restoration of Russia's credit.

"It is also manifest that genuinely friendly relations cannot be said to have been completely established so long as either party has reason to suspect the other of carrying on propaganda against its interests and directed to overthrow its institutions.

CLEARING THE GROUND.

"In these circumstances His Majesty's Government invite the Russian Government to send to London at the earliest possible moment representatives armed with full powers to discuss these matters, and to draw up the preliminary base of a complete treaty to settle all questions outstanding between the two countries.

"In the meantime I have been given the status of Charge d'Affaires pending the appointment of an ambassador, and His Majesty's Government will be glad similarly to receive a Russian Charge d'Affaires representing the Government Union at the Court of St. James."

ICE SPORT.

CHAMONIX, February 1.

At ice hockey Czechoslovakia beat Switzerland 11-2; Canada beat Britain 19-2; and the United States beat Sweden 20-0, earning the right to meet Canada in the final on Sunday.

Britain and Sweden play for third place.

MUST ATTEND.

FALL'S EXCUSE RULED OUT.

OIL LEASE INQUIRY.

(Reuter's American Service)

WASHINGTON, February 1.

It is announced that a subpoena will be issued for Mr. Fall's appearance before the investigation committee, the physicians appointed by the committee holding the opinion he is in a condition for examination. The committee has received from Mr. Doherty the portion of a note for \$100,000 which witness stated was Mr. Fall's.

WASHINGTON, February 1.

The House of Representatives passed Senator Walsh's resolution mentioned yesterday.

(Senator Walsh's resolution directed the President to sue for the annulment of the Doherty and Sinclair oil leases.)

NAVY'S OIL SUPPLY.

ANGLO-PERSIAN COMBINE.

GOVERNMENT INTERESTS.

BURMAH COMPANY'S STATEMENT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, February 1.

The Burmah Oil Company has made a statement denying the assumption that the sale of the Government's Anglo-Persian Oil shares would have resulted in throwing the control of the Anglo-Persian Company into foreign hands and jeopardising the Navy's supply of liquid fuel; and declaring the consequences would have been, and were intended to be exactly the contrary.

The proposal was to sell these shares to the Burmah Oil Company in such a way as to secure British control of the new group, consisting of the Burmah, the Shell and the Royal Dutch Companies. It was mainly intended to remove the weaknesses and dangers of allowing the British Navy to rely so greatly upon a single oilfield in Central Asia.

The result of the proposal would have been that the amount of British controlled oil on which the supplies are based would have been vastly extended and the great Royal Dutch organisation would have been controlled from London instead of Holland.

The scheme proposed was to include the Burmah Oil Company, enlarged by the acquisition of the Government's Anglo-Persian shares, as a third shareholder in the division of interests between Shell and the Royal Dutch. The result would have been to have given the two British companies an assured permanent majority in the group.

Guarantees were to have been given that this arrangement should not have been impaired by subsequent arrangements, thus preventing the creation of a monopoly in the oil markets of the world by any future combination of oil companies.

CONDITION SERIOUS.

WOODROW WILSON'S ILLNESS.

SUDDEN TURN FOR WORSE.

WASHINGTON, February 1.

Former President Woodrow Wilson, who was recently suffering from digestive disorder, became decidedly worse to-day.

LATER.

The physician's bulletin says: Mr. Wilson spent a restless night. He lost strength. During the night he took a sudden turn for the worse. I regard his condition as very serious.

"BROKEN MACHINE."

LATER.

Mr. Wilson is still conscious, but is very weak. He is able to converse in whispers. He told the doctor, "You've done the best you could but I'm broken machine."

He added with a rally of failing strength, "But I'm ready!"

The House of Representatives suspended the debate as a token of respect.

BRITAIN AND AMERICA.

SETTING THE WORLD AN EXAMPLE.

NOTABLE LONDON SPEECHES.

LONDON, February 1.

The Prince of Wales, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald (the Premier), and Mr. Thomas (Minister of Colonies) were among the distinguished guests attending the Pilgrims' dinner, which was presided over by Lord Desborough, in honour of the new American Ambassador, Dr. Kellogg, and the newly-appointed British Ambassador to Washington, Sir Esme Howard.

The King sent a message acknowledging greetings. He trusted the occasion would prove another happy link between the great English-speaking nations.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, proposing Dr. Kellogg, declared the whole nation was standing with held breath awaiting further news about Mr. Wilson.

Relations between the United States and Britain were never better. He prayed they might long continue so.

Mr. MacDonald said America and Britain wanted no alliance, no documents. They were prepared to stand side by side, not in a political alliance, but in human fellowship to help each other advance in the cause of humanity. (Cheers.)

Incidentally he declared the category of ambassador was magnificently and worthily represented in the person of His Royal Highness. (Prolonged cheers.)

Dr. Kellogg, responding, believed that one of the greatest services to the United States and the British Empire could be performed for the world, was to set an example of fair and broad-minded statesmanship in international dealings and maintain the sacredness and inviolability of treaties. He would do everything possible to maintain the closest and most friendly relations with His Majesty's Government and the English people.

SPYING CHARGES.

LEIPZIG, February 1.

The Supreme Court has sentenced a woman to ten years' jail with hard labour on a charge of espionage on behalf of France; and a German student, her accomplice, to six years.

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NATIONAL LOANS.

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THIRD YEAR LOAN.

2nd June 1924; 7th Drawing (\$2,750,000 approx.); redemption begins 30th June.

1st December 1924; 8th Drawing (\$2,750,000 approx.); redemption begins 31st December.

It is to be noted that two Drawings of this Loan, instead of one, are being held this year in order to bring the redemption of the Loan and its extinction in 1925 into line with the schedule of amortisation prescribed by the Loan regulations.

ELEVENTH YEAR LOAN.

10th May 1924; 3rd Drawing (\$1,000,000); redemption begins 31st May.

10th November 1924; 4th Drawing (\$1,000,000); redemption begins 30th November.

The service of the above two Loans is conducted independently and forms no part of the National Consolidated Loan Service.

F. A. AGLEN,

Inspector General of Customs, Inspectorate General of Customs, Peking, 23rd January 1924.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS IN THIS COMPANY will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 9th February 1924, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1923.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 1st February to the 9th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers, Hongkong, 23rd January, 1924.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE. AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on MONDAY the 4th February 1924 at 5 p.m. for the purpose of confirming the resolutions passed at the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING held on the 10th January 1924.

By Order

C. B. BROWN, Secretary, Hongkong, 23rd January, 1924.

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Hongkong, 31st January 1924.

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MR. WALTER J. HAWKER has this day been appointed Assistant General Manager of the above Company.

By Order of the Board, J. H. TAGGART, Chairman, Hongkong, 30th January, 1924.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

MR. PERCY H. SUCKLING has this day been appointed Secretary of the above Company.

By Order of the Board, J. H. TAGGART, Chairman, Hongkong, 30th January, 1924.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

ENTRIES may now be made for the various events. Forms and full particulars can be obtained at the Pavilion. Entries close on the 15th February 1924.

L. S. GREENHILL, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 31st January, 1924.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

L'Etoile, a new Paris playhouse, has been opened.

Sir George Grahame, the British Ambassador in Brussels, is confined to his bed by illness.

Sir Lambert Ormsby, the surgeon, and inventor of an ether inhaler, died at Dublin aged 72.

A woman who voted at the recent general election, Mrs. Amelia Lettis, of Glycer-street, Birmingham, has celebrated her 103rd birthday.

Splendid rains fell over a wide area in Southern Queensland, and apparently one of the most disastrous droughts on record has been broken.

While the Rev. A. S. Rankin was preaching at St. Jude's, Moorfields, Sheffield, burglars entered his house and took £16 subscribed for the poor.

In one day a ton of turkeys was carried from London to Cologne by air, it being cheaper to import them there by the expensive transport than to buy them locally.

A man named Joseph White, who was summoned at Grimsby for wife maintenance, was said to be a chimney-sweep in the winter and an ice-cream vendor in the summer.

An unknown woman was knocked down by a motor-omnibus in Kirkdale, Sydenham, S.E., and was taken to Lewisham Hospital, where she was found to be dead.

The title of the Mercantile Marine Department of the Board of Trade has been changed to Sea Transport Department and that of Director of Transports to Director of Sea Transport.

Mr. Beaumont Wallis, last year's president of the Drapers' Chamber of Trade and a former president of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce, died in a Southsea nursing home.

An earthquake is reported to have destroyed the townships of Granadas, Huasbas, and Oporo, in the State of Sonora, Mexico, many persons being killed and injured.

By the election of Mr. Alexandre Doucette, Conservative, as member for Kent County, New Brunswick, Mr. Mackenzie King's Liberal Government in Canada is placed in a minority of 4.

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BIRTHS.

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Mrs. John McGillivray, a son,
WILLIS.—On January 28, 1924,
at Shanghai, to Mrs. A. J.
Willis, a son, still born.

DEATHS.

CHANDLER.—On January 26,
1924, at Shanghai, Ernest
Knight Chandler, British-
American Tobacco Co. (China),
Ltd., aged 55 years.
McMICHAEL.—On January 26,
1924, at Shanghai, John Her-
rick McMichael.
WEARNE.—On January 19, 1924,
at 7, Chatterworth Avenue,
Singapore, Matilda Esther
Wearne, widow of the late
John Wearne, of Fremantle,
Western Australia, aged 80.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG SATURDAY, JAN. 3, 1924.

SOCIALISTS.

"We are all Socialists now," is what Gladstone said in 1879. We defy anyone to disprove it. And just as we were first in the field to suggest that the long Hongkong would be repeating the phrase concerning the supply of bananas, so now we prophesy that ere long Hongkong will find itself making the same statement. It is Socialistic. For ourselves, we have always been Socialists. Not that kind of Socialism

hasten to say that is prepared to share his coal and his purse; that believes all are equal; that believes even that Bill Loppock of the Constitutional Reformers is better qualified to fill the chair of the Colonial Secretary than anyone else. At the moment we feel that particular chair is well filled; whilst we should not like to see H.E. sporting the regulation Socialist red tie or taking lessons in hymn singing. We heard the "red flag" sung in our buoyant, youthful, idealistic days, and frankly it bored us. But what of our Socialism? We have had it, bad and particularly since fate or providence, or a P. & O. liner directed us hither. We feel it pulsate every time we see a beggar or a deformity thrust its unpleasantness before our eyes. It is then that we would do things; it is then that we look round upon our prosperous fellow-citizens; our bowler-brokers; our granite buildings; our swiftly-moving motor cars—and we say things and wonder, even if our revenue from land sales takes away the breath, and our material progress flaunts itself on all sides, if we have really progressed. We would do away with our beggars, and the deformed and those who piteously—often warily—trust their obnoxiousness before us. We would recognise our knee medicine and surgery. Every case exhibited so freely in our thoroughfares—and more so now that Chinese New Year is upon us, would be taken to our equally

prepared clinic—the defect of manhood examined and attempt made to alleviate suffering, right a wrong of nature, and put to some use, no matter how small, nature has decreed it shall be, to the service of humanity. Commonsense cries out that something should be done—not merely to hide these sights from timid eyes and so make us apt to forget that suffering does abound, and thus probably more hard-hearted. Soon it will either be that "something" or the lethal chamber. And of beggars we would have none. It ought to be possible to see that every man willing to work should work, or to make the unwilling worker take off his coat. Charity often is misdirected and especially in the case of those who whine and beg and trail their manhood in the dust. We simply linker at these vital problems—like the Pharisee, often passing them by on the other side, fearful lest they contaminate us, thankful that a merciful providence in which we dimly believe, has not called us to a state of existence that probably Lazarus' dog would hesitate to associate with us.

This then, feeble and fanciful as it may sound is our brand of Socialism. Are any prepared to join us in the cry—"We are all Socialists now?"

China New Year Crime.

At this time of the year it is usual to have an epidemic of robberies, because it is going towards the end of the Chinese year, but there are only a few who know why local criminals take it into their heads to work overtime at present. Firstly, it is believed that it is due to the desire common to all Chinese to get as much money as they can for the auspicious day. As the only source of income some have in robbery, it is only to be expected that the Chinese Bill Sykes will take an additional risk to obtain funds wherewith to have a good time when New Year comes. But there is also another aspect which tends to give the robbers more inducement. Every shop and household is amassing as much money as possible to meet special demands. Valuable jewellery is taken out to be in readiness. People are out till late making purchases for the occasion and strangers who chime to be shroffs or tradesmen are not unexpected. It can be said that everybody is tingling with excitement so that necessary precautions are sometimes relaxed with the result that bad characters have many opportunities. From what can be seen, the police are on the qui vive for thieves. Special patrols are sent out and a systematic search of people in the street takes place frequently and at all hours.

Gambling in Shares.

The heavy speculation in stocks and shares that has been rife in this Colony during the last several weeks is a veritable inducement to the community. Within a month, market values of local companies have appreciated about \$25,000,000. So called brokers who do not disclose the names of their principals, and who in some cases are absolute jobbers, have committed themselves to huge transactions. Scrip numbers are not given and thus it has been possible for instances to occur where the volume of shares dealt in has far exceeded the actual number of shares issued by the companies concerned. Some years ago the Keswick law was introduced to recognise such gambling transactions and those who are tempted by brokers to go in and amass fortunes may well find themselves legally liable to "pay up" not only their hard-earned capital but over and above that, promissory notes which it will take them years and years to redeem. If it is to legalise share transactions (where scrip numbers are not given) for the purpose of raising stamp revenue, why not compel the stock exchanges in this Colony to revise their rules and insist on margins being deposited by operators in forward deliveries, the same as in the stock exchanges of the principal cities of the world? Operators will then not exceed their means, for the moment their margins disappear they will be called upon to furnish further margins, failing which their accounts will be closed. Their losses will thus be limited instead of being unlimited as at present. This system must check gambling to some extent and while it may not suit some brokers, it will make for protection of the public. In our opinion all gambling in shares, without numbers should be rendered illegal as this is the best method of ensuring legitimate business. Should, however, the government feel reluctant to legislate on this basis, the least it can do is to compel the stock exchanges to revise their rules on the lines suggested above. Otherwise a financial crisis such as the aftermath of the Shanghai Rubber boom is quite conceivable.

The Times of London EGGS recently ran an editorial on the subject of "Ancient Eggs." It touched on many things, almost on "choes— and ships—and sealing wax—on cabbages—and kings," but it missed the point which Lowell caught, when he wrote in his Biglow Papers:

We're curus critters; Now ain't jes' the minute
Thet ever fits us easy while we're in it;
Long ez 'twas futur, 'twould be perfect bliss—
Soon ez it's past, thet 'time's wuth ten o' this;
An' yit there ain't a man thet need be told
Thet Now's the only bird lays eggs of gold.

ALL SCOTCH: Duh men win nae land.

twice bairns.

Eat-weel's Drink-weel's brither
Ae hour in the morning is worth twa after noon.

Better bow to my faes than beg from my friends.

He has muckle prayer but little devotion.

Every man bows the bush he gets belid frae.

Guid watch blinders harm.

There is a wholesome lesson to be learned from the example of the Netherlands which has spent, according to the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce, more than \$500,000,000 for small but commodious workmen's houses during a little more than the decade just past. This means that, on the basis of cost price of \$5,000 for each house and figuring on an average family of five persons (the average is probably larger), more than 500,000 individuals have been provided with modern shelters at an extremely low rental since about 1912.

HOUSES. One of the latest RADIO. achievements of the radio is reported from Bombay, where during a recent visit of the Viceroy of India to Patiala State a novelty was introduced at his jungle camp in the form of a wireless broadcast instrumental concert. Suddenly a military band was heard from out of nowhere. On inquiry it was found that the music came from several miles away and that a loud speaker had been installed in the camp. Even the jungle and the desert are thus being dragged on to the highway of civilization.

NOVEL. It is a novel expedition upon which the auxiliary power schooner "Boxer" sailed from Seattle, Wash., recently, for south-eastern Alaska, equipped as a model floating school and carrying 100 tons of school supplies. When she reaches her destination, her officers will undertake to teach the native Indians various trades, including wireless telegraphy and navigation. Fifteen villages of the Tlingit, Tsimpsian, and Rydah tribes are on the vessel's itinerary, and instruction by the schooner's cook—in modern cooking will constitute a feature of the work to be given.

Lord Frederic Hamilton tells a story of an American millionaire, who decided to buy some property in Scotland.

He was shown over the place by the owner. As they returned to the house, the American noticed over the door the words: "East, West, Home's Best." Turning to the owner, the American remarked: "Well, my lord, it's very kind of you to have shown me over this property, and I don't think we're likely to fall out about the price, but there's one stipulation I must make." Pointing to the motto, "That damned fellow Home has got to take down his advertisement."

To-day's Poem. (Triplet.)
A ring of gold,
A lock of hair,
And all is told,
A ring of gold,
A heart grown old,
She was so fair,
A ring of gold,
A lock of hair.

S. M.—W.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

FEBRUARY 2.

173: It rained all this day, and Dilly came to me, and was coaching it into the city: so I went with him for a skating, because it would not cost me a farthing.—Swift.

THE SUM.

Experience is the sum total of our misdeeds.—Pam. Andrews.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

February 2.—Coronet Theatre; Thorns and Orange Blossoms.
February 2.—Star Theatre; The Pilgrim.
February 2.—World Theatre; The Sting of the Lash.
February 18.—Piano for the Recital at City Hall, 5.30 p.m.

SOCIAL.
February 4.—Concert in St. Andrew's Hall, Kowloon, 9 p.m.
February 4.—Chinese New Year's Eve Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel.
February 23.—Royal Air Force Re-union Dinner.
March 1.—St. David's Society Dinner.

LAND SALE.
February 4.—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Shaughwan, 3 p.m.

COMPANY MEETING.
February 4.—Fifth ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at the registered office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, 3 p.m.

OTHER MEETING.
February 4.—General Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club in the Hongkong Club Annex, 5 p.m.
February 11.—Annual General Meeting, Kowloon Residents' Association, St. Andrew's Church Hall, 6 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Chinese villager from Nam Tao was knocked down by a tram in Connaught Road West yesterday and taken to hospital.

According to *Reuter*, Australian newspapers on the assumption that the Singapore scheme will be abandoned discuss the likelihood of Australia establishing a base at her own cost.

According to *Reuter*, a telegram from Mengtze reports that Mr. Abel, the Acting-Commissioner stationed at Szemao Customs, was stabbed to the heart and killed by his cook after an altercation.

The New Zealand Football Association, says a *Reuter* cable from Wellington, is inviting a Chinese team to tour the Dominion in the forthcoming season, commencing at the end of May.

The silk shipped per s.s. "President Grant," which sailed from this port on January 7 at 10 a.m., arrived in New York on January 29 at 6 p.m., having been 22 calendar days and 8 hours in transit.

The *Government Gazette* notifies that, unless care is shown to the contrary, the Eastern Cinematograph Co., Ltd. will be struck off the register at the expiration of three months and the Company dissolved.

Leung Sak-yak, an inmate of a house of ill-fame at No. 32, Wood Street, Yaumatei, attempted to end her life by taking opium yesterday. She was removed to the Kwong Wah hospital for treatment.

In attempting to evade arrest, a man named Wong Ching, who is alleged to have entered the first floor of No. 44, Cross Street, for an unlawful purpose, yesterday, jumped into the street below and sustained severe injuries.

Candidates who passed in the recent teachers' examination and are qualified to teach are Miss Beken Chiu, Miss Hung King Chum, Miss Julia Gutierrez, Miss B. George, Miss Agnes H. Ismail, Miss Lu Chai Ying, Miss Luciola Lopes, Miss Un Cheung Sun.

Dr. Thompson telegraphs that he escaped yesterday and safely reached Pootowchen, says a *Reuter* cable from Peking. Dr. Thompson was returning to Peking with the late Major-General Pereira's belongings when he was captured by bandits.

On Wednesday a money-changer sent his nephew and a *foh* with \$1,000 in Hongkong notes to accompany three coolies who had stated that somebody on a coal ship lying off Wanchai, wished to change a large quantity of copper cents into notes. Neither of the two barterers have turned up since leaving the shop. The master became anxious and reported to the police yesterday.

Yesterday, officers of the Criminal Intelligence Department brought back from Macao the two men who, as being on the crew of the s.s. "Tal Lee," are alleged to have absconded from the ship when the pirates left. When arrested, they had on them a large sum of money regarding which the police are suspicious. An identification parade has already been held and they will be charged before the Magistrate together with the other four suspects.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

COPING WITH SMALL-POX.

SOME AMAZING FIGURES.

HONGKONG AND LEPROSY.

At least 400,000 people have been vaccinated since November 1, last year, the beginning of the campaign—a record which reflects much credit on our hardworking Medical Department.

This creditable statement was given to a *China Mail* representative by Dr. W. W. Pearce, the Medical Officer of Health, during a brief chat yesterday. Dr. Pearce's assurance that he thought the small pox period had reached the top of its yearly curve, will make cheerful reading. The doctor said that the present period was always the worst for the disease every year. A hundred cases a week were being notified, but with the advent of warmer weather there would be a gradual decline.

Weather, Dr. Pearce said, was always a deciding factor in the spread of the small-pox. At the recent snap of cold, experienced during the past week or two, had not helped to stay progress of the infection, but it had acted on the contrary.

Amazing Figures.

On the subject of vaccination as opposed to the arguments of the anti-vaccinationists, Dr. Pearce was loth to express an opinion. In Hongkong, he said, and places in the Far East generally, it was extremely difficult to collect evidence and he had long ago realized the futility of attempting it.

Chinese believed in vaccination, added the doctor, as shown by the amazing figures of treatments during the past ten weeks. The Medical Department had the staff and material for a million injections—more than the estimated population of Hongkong—but it was due to the general laziness of the average Chinese that the vaccination figure was not bigger than it was.

What We Have Escaped.

A lowly Chinese earning a bare living wage, explained Dr. Pearce, would be a little reluctant to become vaccinated when he knew that its effect might prevent him from working for one or two days. It meant the loss of two days' pay for him.

During the last seven years, there had been well over 800,000 free vaccinations, remarked the Medical Officer. Considering the millions of people who passed through Hongkong from such places as Canton, where small-pox was rampant at present, it was a wonder, commented Dr. Pearce, that there were not 100 cases a day instead of a hundred a week.

Dr. Pearce here unconsciously paid a tribute to his own department. What the Medical Department has done in its fight against the disease is indeed little short of amazing; for the epidemic in the most part is evidently conveyed from Canton and other insular spots which sends its population to intermingle with Hongkong's.

Leprosy.

Discussing the news regarding the campaign to raise funds for the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association, Dr. Pearce said there was nothing for Hongkong's residents to be scared about regarding leprosy.

Leprosy was not a notifiable disease and the doctor said he had not therefore, any figures regarding the disease. But speaking from his own experience, he had hardly met more than one case a year in Hongkong. There may be hundreds of cases among the Chinese, but it was unrecognisable and impossible to identify.

Nothing To Be Scared About.

If the authorities did come across a leper in the Colony, went on Dr. Pearce, the victim was sent to hospital immediately. If he were a non-British subject, he would be sent to the special hospitals at Canton where he would receive modern treatment from the missionaries who were always working hard against the scourge there.

The disease was not communicable, except in extraordinary cases, and, concluded the doctor, there is nothing to be scared about in Hongkong.

CAMERA NOTES.

USEFUL TIPS BY AN
EXPERT.

THE CHOICE OF A PLATE.

Naturally, every photographer has his own particular fancy regarding plates and this is even more accentuated at home in Britain where the choice, and what concerns the Hongkong Photographer so very much more, the possibility of obtaining what is particularly fancied. At home it is an easy matter to obtain what one wants, and if the local dealer happens to be out of stock, fresh supplies are forthcoming within a few days.

Out here in Hongkong the Photographer has not by any means so wide a choice because while the climatic conditions are so important a factor, the dealer will only stock in any quantity, brands of plates that will keep, and what to him is more important, will stand up to the rigors of the tropics. If for plates, because of both these important points are practically universally stocked in China but this does not mean to say that some other British makes of plates do not come up to the same standard.

However, personally I prefer a plate working at a quicker speed than Ilford because working on the Watkins factor it would be very few people on a cargo boat and it should not be necessary to take the precautions necessary on passenger ships.

The C. S. P. said that a captain would know his crew and a scrutiny before sailing would preclude strangers from travelling on a cargo boat. Mr. Wolfe also expressed the opinion that when a cargo ship was entirely staffed by foreign officers and under normal circumstances, it should be immune from piratical attentions.

This brings me to an important point for the Amateur Photographer's consideration, which is the dealer will stock a plate if assured that there would be a reasonable demand for it. While personally I have requested a dealer to order some for me, naturally he will only order a few, which will not be here for about three or four months, consequently, I still obtain them from Singapore, but if through the medium of the local Amateur Photographic Societies, dealers were assured that supplies of Marion plates for example would be purchased by members, then supplies of the various plates would be forthcoming.

This is a hint for consideration. Some weeks ago I wrote about the use of Panchromatic plates for obtaining beautiful sky effects without that sky being overexposed, but I have heard certain

PIRATE ZONE.

GUARDS FOR CARGO
STEAMERS?

LESSON OF THE "SALEN."

POLICE CHIEF AND EXISTING
PRECAUTIONS.

After the piracy of the coal-ship "Salem," which was returning to Hongkong after discharging her cargo at Canton, a suggestion was made in one quarter that it might be advisable to institute armed guards and grills for cargo boats as well as passenger ships trading in the danger zone.

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police, courteously expressed his view to a *China Mail* reporter when approached yesterday. Mr. Wolfe pointed out that the proposal would be tantamount to making the Piracy Prevention Ordinance apply to strictly cargo boats as well as steamers licensed to carry passengers. After giving the suggestion some thought, Mr. Wolfe said "In normal times, no."

He remarked that the present times were abnormal but even if the idea were approved there was the difficulty of finding the adequate number of Indians to serve as guards. In ordinary circumstances, there would only be very few people on a cargo boat and it should not be necessary to take the precautions necessary on passenger ships.

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criticism regarding the difficulties of development of these plates which admittedly is best done in total darkness. In reply to that I would suggest using an isochromatic plate which may be used without a screen. The Marion "Iso" plate H and D. 250 is excellent for this purpose, and I have seen some results of flower studies on an ordinary plate, in comparison with the same subject on an "Iso" plate. The latter is a marked improvement. While I would not go so far as to say that an isochromatic plate gives the true colour ratio, or is as satisfactory in this respect as a Panchromatic, for sky effects and as far as the Amateur requires it to follow, but my suggestion, to get good sky effects, the "Iso" isochromatic will give a very marked improvement—and is well worth a trial.

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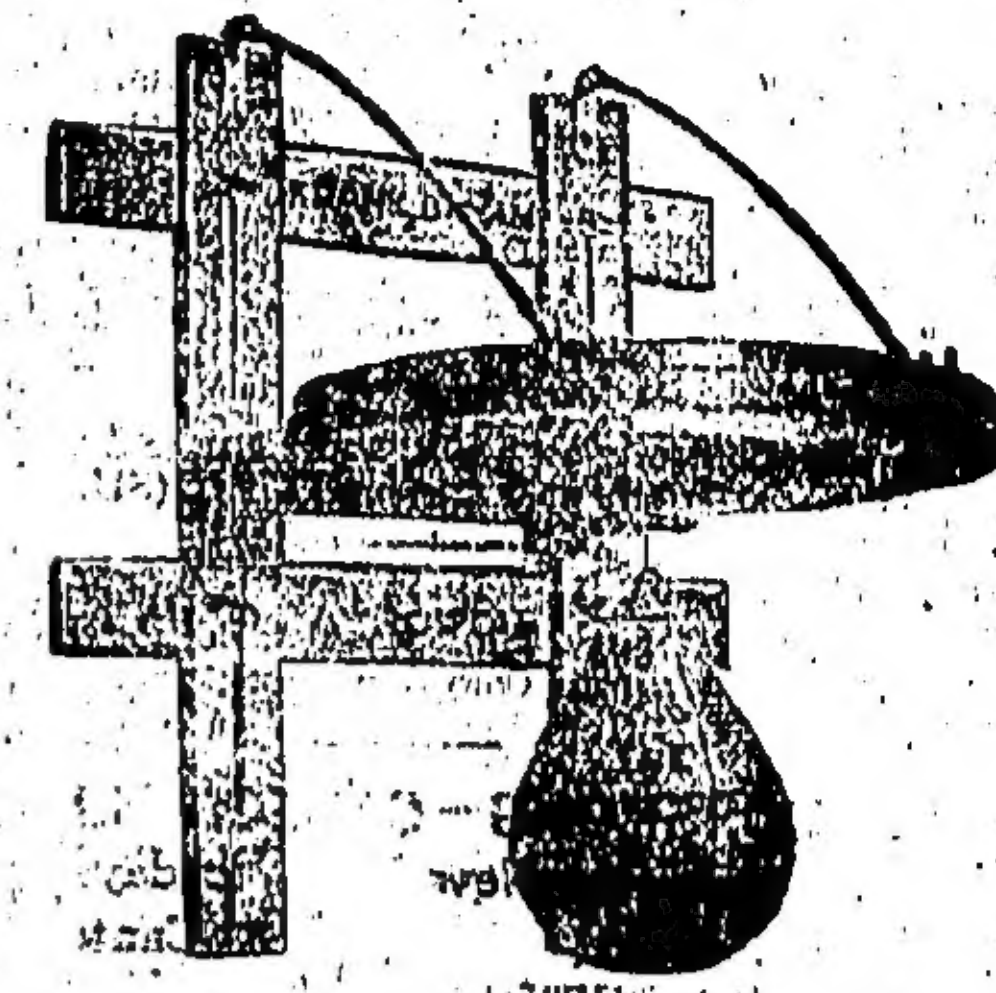
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SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
S.S. "YAMATO MARU"Sunday, 10th Feb. at 11 a.m.
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SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
S.S. "YAMATO MARU"Thursday, 14th Feb. 8 a.m.
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SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
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AUSTRALASIA, JAVA, BURMA, CEYLON, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST
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INCLUDING NEW ZEALAND AND QUEENSLAND PORTS,
RED SEA, EGYPT, EUROPE, &c.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY
DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS
(Under Contract with H.M. Government.)

S. S.	Tons	From Hankow (about)	Destination
"KASHGAR"	5,940	8th Feb.	MARSHALLS, London & Antwerp
"ROUDAN"	5,996	15th Feb.	Port, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"MORRA"	10,811	23rd Feb.	Port, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NAGPORE"	5,973	27th Feb.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	4th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	8th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	12th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	16th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	20th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	24th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	28th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	31st Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	3rd Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	7th Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	11th Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	15th Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	19th Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	23rd Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	27th Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	31st Apr.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	5th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	9th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	13th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	17th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	21st May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	25th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	29th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	31st May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	3rd Jun.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
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"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	31st Jun.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	3rd Jul.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
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"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	3rd Aug.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
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"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	3rd Sep.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
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"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	3rd Nov.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
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"JAPAN"	6,002	3rd Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	7th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"KASHGAR"	5,996	23rd Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"KASHGAR"	5,996	27th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

S. S.	Tons	From Hankow (about)	Destination
"ST. ALBANS"	4,600	2nd Feb.	Manila, Batavia, Surabaya
"EASTERN"	4,000	27th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"ARAFURA"	6,008	27th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

Frequent connections from Australia with the following:-
The Union R. S. Company's steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand.
The P. & O. Royal Mail steamers to London via Suez Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and London via Panama, Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S. S.	Tons	From Hankow (about)	Destination
"EASTERN"	4,000	3rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"ROUDAN"	5,996	15th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"MORRA"	10,811	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	31st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	3rd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"KIDDERPORE"	5,988	7th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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KONGMOON'S SUGAR
CONDITIONS.

ARMED MEN GUARD STREETS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

KONGMOON, February 2.—Fear of pirates has restricted all river traffic here. The Standard Oil Company's "Brit" was fired on when near the mouth of the Sun-Wu creek on January 29. Passengers arriving from Hongkong have been warned against thieves at the wharf and railway station. Lack of discipline and "squeeze" are mentioned in connection with the troops now occupying Shek-ki, the capital of Henan. Kongmoon is quiet but an ominous undertone prevails. Two men from the Merchants' Volunteer Corps are guarding every street corner both night and day. The local Customs have allowed the Hongkong steamers to enter Pak-kai on Sunday as Monday is China New Year Eve. A keen soccer match is anticipated on the Pak-kai new recreation ground this afternoon between the Customs Club and a team from the staffs of the foreign firms. All naval boats under the Coast Defence Commission are now at Pak-kai. The embargo on the export of silver coins only lasted for two days, and has since been cancelled.

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MEN IN THE NEWS.



Former President of the United States whose lingering illness has taken a sudden turn for the worse. His condition is now very serious.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lighting-up time to-day is at 6.12 p.m.

From Messrs Hall, Law and Co., the China Mail has received two pretty Chinese calendars, the one for Goetz cameras and the other for Johann Faber's famous products.

With the temporary absence from the Colony of H.E. the Governor, it is officially announced that Sir Claud Severn has assumed Administration of the Government. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher has been temporarily appointed Colonial Secretary and Mr. S. B. B. McElderry Assistant Colonial Secretary and Clerk of Councils with effect from to-day.

Hongkong was not exactly drowned with rain last month. During January, according to the Botanic Gardens, there was a total rainfall of 1.59 inches. The wettest day was the 27th when 4.4 inches were recorded. Up to the 14th there was nothing to complain about, the rain gauge showing a blank for the whole fortnight.

For the convenience of visitors from Shanghai to our next Race Meeting who desire to see the Champions run and still get back to their desks on Monday morning, the Canadian Pacific have decided to postpone the sailing of the R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" from noon until 7 p.m. Friday, February 22 arriving Shanghai daylight, Monday.

Ottawa, February 1.—A convention between the United States and Canada, based on the results of the conference held in November and December, will shortly be signed. The main provision is that Canadian Customs officers shall notify responsible United States officials of the clearance of all liquor-laden vessels from Canada where there is reason to believe such cargoes are destined to be smuggled into the United States. Notification will also be sent to all loads of liquor from warehouses in Canada, suspected of an American destination. Canada is accorded the right to transport liquor to Yukon territory, across Alaska.—*Reuter*.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

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COMMERCIAL NOTES.

STERLING ON NEW YORK
RECOVERS.

PETROL PRICES RAISED.

LONDON, February 1.

Sterling on New York has recovered to 4/8 1/2.

The price of petrol has been increased 4 1/2 d. to 1s. 11 1/2 d. a gallon.—*Reuter*.

NAM PAK HONG QUOTATIONS.

Beyond a pronounced tightness of money due to the New Year final settlement, there is nothing of importance to report from Nam Pak Hong. Restricted trading has had a benefit in that no firm is too deeply involved to bring about a crisis.

This morning's nominal quotations for "spot" goods, basis usual guild terms—some small lots were done for immediate clearance for cash at from 5 to 7 per cent. lower—were as follows:—

Java Sugar, average quality, per picul net—No. 24 rough, white, \$16.10, No. 24 fine white, \$16.80, No. 19 rough brown, \$15.02. Rice, average quality, per picul gross for net—No. 1 Siam long white—superior, old crop, \$9.20, superior, new crop, \$8.20, ordinary, old crop, \$8.50, No. 1 Saigon long white, \$7.40. Flour, per sack of 50 lbs.—Dayton \$2.75, Bakers \$2.71, Kwai Tung \$2.50, White Greens \$2.82, Sperry's XXX \$3.50, Nutmeg Orange \$2.78, Big Gun \$2.90, C. & C. \$2.85, Melon \$2.81.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

The fortnightly report on imports issued by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce is as follows:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—Since our last report some business has been done in Blacks, Cashmeres, Low Venetians, Brocades, Coatings, etc., at improved rates. There is a demand for Blankets but offers do not admit of business, being much below home cost. We have not heard of any sales of Greys and Whites. The Home market appears very firm.

Cotton Yarn.—During the interval, a moderate business has been put through at an advance of \$2 per bale. At the close, the tone of the market is firmer, owing to the strike of Mills in India.

Quotations are:—No. 10s. \$220/245, No. 12s. \$225/248, No. 16s. \$245/260, No. 20s. \$225/250. Arrivals—Shipment—Sales—1,500 bales. Unsold 8,500 bales. Gains 2,000 bales.

Woolens.—The market is very quiet, and very little business is being done.

Raw Cottons.—There are no sales to report, and quotations are purely nominal. Indian descriptions at \$55/63. Chinese staple at \$55/70. Metals.—Market quiet and steady. Flour Market Report.—Stock: 700,000. Market: Quiet. Quotations: American Patent, \$9.60 per sack; American Straight, \$2.85 per sack; American Cut-off, \$2.95 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$2.90 per sack.

Java Sugar.—Market firm.

Philippine Sugar.—Market quiet.

CHINESE TRADE MARKS.

NATIONAL CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE PROTEST.

PEKING, January 31.

A crowded meeting of the National Chambers of Commerce held under the auspices of the British and American Chambers of Commerce, unanimously passed the following resolution:—Proposed by the British Chamber of Commerce and seconded by the American Chamber of Commerce:—

"That, in the meeting of the National Chambers of Commerce, representing as it does the bulk of the foreign mercantile community, urges the Diplomatic Corps not to recognize the new Chinese Trade Mark Law, except on such terms as will comply with the spirit of Article VII of the Mackay Treaty. This meeting is of opinion that the reported stipulation of the Diplomatic Corps for the employment of foreigners in the bureau does not provide for the sufficient protection of foreign trade marks unless foreigners are employed, and placed in a position to effectively supervise the administration of the law."

The resolution was strongly supported by the representatives of the Japanese, French and Italian Chambers of Commerce; and also by the China Association.—*Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin*.

JAVA NOTES.

Her Nieuwa van den Dag states that with reference to their protest against high inspection fees on cases of imported fresh fruit, they hear the first eleven months of 1928 to 1929, will take steps in the matter. The resolution was strongly supported by the representatives of the Japanese, French and Italian Chambers of Commerce; and also by the China Association.—*Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin*.

THE PHARIES.

LAST NIGHT'S EXCELLENT SHOW.

The "Pharies" have ideas and great originality and with a little judicious pruning should always be counted on to give a show that will amuse greatly. Last night they entertained a large audience in the Theatre until a late hour with some excellent singing and more excellent fooling. In this department Mr. J. T. Thompson excels. He has personality and reminds us of Salisbury of the Quints—which, as meant to be a very high compliment indeed. In the concerted items, a cinema burlesque caused some of laughter. It was certainly well done. The topical verses were also amusing and not a little clever. A word in praise of the Orchestra from the "Ambrose" is merited; also to the gentlemen responsible for a very effective stage setting, and to those in front of the house who dispensed, at reasonable rates, chocolates and programmes. The Concert is to be repeated this evening, and the cause of the L. 24 Submarine disaster fund should benefit accordingly. The Pharies are drawn from the 4th Submarine Flotilla and have a high conception of what they are about. A little more robustness in the union singing, the elimination of the weird acknowledgment at the end of a song, and a Pavlova-like shaking of the leg, and the Pharies will be in the first-class section of Pierrot performers.

The "Pharies" are:—Messrs. J. T. Thompson, W. G. Ball, R. Bates, A. H. George, A. G. Flook, C. M. Cain, R. M. Goodier, R. Colley, E. J. Callaghan, Mr. W. White made a very efficient accompanist and the topical verses were composed by Messrs. W. D. Gibb and W. G. Ball. The lighting effects were excellently carried out by Messrs. A. Horwell, E. May and D. Doran. During the interval some very excellent music was supplied by the orchestra of the H.M.S. "Ambrose" under the conductorship of Mr. C. J. Davis.

TITLED LADY FINED.

"HAD NEVER STOLEN A PIN."

Lady Simmons (64), the wife of Sir Anker Simmons, residing at Henley-on-Thames, was charged at Marylebone Police Court, London, with stealing three pieces of ribbon, a needle case, and a bottle of perfume, valued at 10s. 3d., from the shop of William Whiteley (Ltd.), Queen's Road, Bayswater.

Miss Alice Dufour, private inquiry agent, said that she had the accused under observation in the store for an hour and a half the previous afternoon. The accused commenced by slipping a small box into her bag in the provision department.

Then she took a piece of ribbon in the ribbon department, squeezed it up in her hand, and on reaching another department, three shops away, put it into her bag.

She afterwards made purchases in three other departments, and then helped herself to a bottle of perfume in the chemists' department. When she stopped in Westbourne Grove, she declared that she had paid for all she had in her bag.

THE LADY STORY.

Giving evidence, Lady Simmons said she dashed about the store in a terrible hurry, collecting some of the things that she wanted, and intending to pay for them later on.

Then suddenly she felt very starved and hungry, and as she had a lot more shopping to do, she decided to go out for a little lunch, and return and pay for the articles all together.

Mr. Hill—Had you any intention of stealing these things?—Intention of stealing? I have never stolen a pin in my life. I have the greatest horror of such a thing.

Mr. Wilberforce and he could not accept her explanation. In view of her age and the fact that it was her first offence, he should not pass a severe sentence, but she would have to pay a fine of £10, with five guineas costs.

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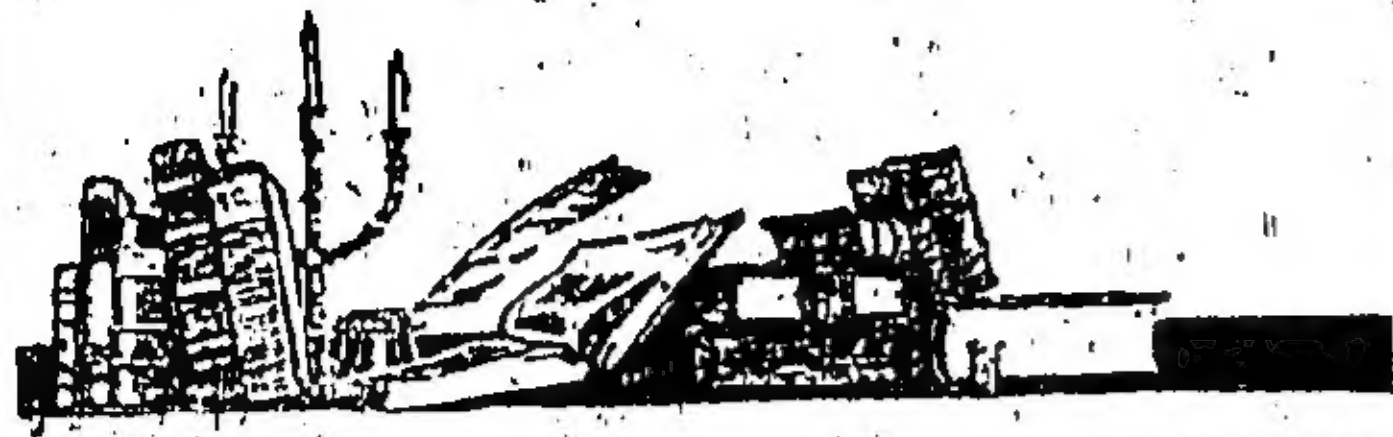
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THE BEST POEMS OF 1922.

Mr. Moul's selections for his anthology have been drawn from both English and American sources. A greater variety is made possible by this method of culling from periodicals on each side of the water, and a distinctive collection is the result. The dedication is to Alice McNell, and she has made in three stanzas called "The Poet and His Book," a fitting return:—

Here are my thoughts, alive within this fold,
My simple sheep. Their shepherd, I grow wise
As dearly, gravely, deeply I behold
Their different eyes.

Oh distant pastures in their blood!
Oh streams
From waterheds that fed them
From aloft, midsummer suns
In dreams,
Set and arisen.

They wander out, but all return
Anew.
The small ones, to this heart to
which they cling
And those that are with young,
The fruitful few
That are with young.

Always felicitous in musical
expression of her thoughts, when
has she ever been more happily lucid
than in these perfectly wrought
stanzas?

Joseph Auslander's "Is This the
Lark?" has a well-deserved place in
Mr. Moul's compilation. Mr.
Auslander's verse steadily improves,
and this rich flowering is the result
of a conscientious and painstaking
artistry, which he has never allowed
to descend to please a popular audi-
ence.

The music rises and swells in
ferid measures, and the poem

would, undoubtedly, take a high
place with the other earlier lark
lyrics but for one fault. It is a trifle
too reminiscent, and to quote
Shelley's well-known lines some-
what takes away from the perform-
ance, otherwise spontaneous and
inspiring:—

Is this the lark
Lord Shakespeare heard
Out of the dark
Of dawn? Is this the bird
That stirred
Lord Shakespeare's heart?

Is this the bird whose wing,
Whose rapturous anthem,
Rose up, soared radiant, became
Sharp flame
To Shelley listening,
And made him sing,
Throbbing alone, aloof, feverishly
apart,
His profuse strains of unpremeditated
art?

To think that I should hear him
now
Telling that single fiery rift of
heaven a wild lark comes!
The fresh cool scent of earth yearns
at the plough;
In short keen rapid flurries the
wood-pecker drums.

To think that I should hear that
mind thing aiding
Along a smoking opal ladder!
Hear that inevitable deluge of music
riding
Into the sun, richer now—fainter
now—madder!

To think that I should hear and
know
The song that Shelley heard, and
Shakespeare, long ago!

Mary Johnston's "Virginia" is
an achievement in free verse, pic-
turesque and with many lovely
flowing lines. It would be a thing
of greater beauty did not the his-
torical element enter into it a little
too heavily.

Sapphire-shadowed, deep-bosomed,
long-limbed,
Mountains lie in the garden of the
sky,
Evening is a passion flower, morn-
ing is a rose!

do not coalesce with "George
Rogers Clarke takes Kaghakia and
Vincomas." Here her hand falls
too weightily. Nothing is this but
poese, however artfully inserted
within a beautifully descriptive
poetry.

J. G. Squire, Richard Aldington
and John Drinkwater are fittingly
represented by work, which, if not
their best, is by no means un-
worthy of them.

Evelyn Underhill contributes a
skilfully fashioned song, a secu-
larly simple expression of a simple
theme, but in reality the result of
a consummate artistry.

Come with birds' voices when the
light grows dim
Yet lovelier in departure and more
dear.

While the warm flush hangs still at
Heaven's rim
And the one star shines clear.

Though the swift night haste to
awakening day,
Stay thou and stir not, brooding
on the deep;
Thy secret life, thy living word let
say
Within the senses' sleep.

Softer than dew. But when the
mountain wind
Blows down the world, O Spirit,
show thy power!
Quicken the dreams within the lan-
guid mind,
And bring thy seed to flower.

There are many other poems of
clarity and distinction in this
anthology, although it possesses the
merit of not being too exhaustive.
A slender garland of choice flowers.

"BERMONDSEY BOOK."

AND THE BOOKSHOP WITH
THE COLOURED SIGN.

The issue in December last of the
first number of the "Bermondsey
Book," a quarterly review devoted
to all phases of life and literature;
was something quite new among
contemporary periodicals. The
"Bermondsey Book" is to make its
appeal, primarily, as a link between
the two worlds which lie north and

south of London river, a link forged
when the Bermondsey Bookshop at
80, Bermondsey-street, gave to all
free access to the best literature.

But this review, though born in
Bermondsey, will not be confined
either in its contents or appeal to
any one place or district. The con-
tributions, which will include
essays, poems, short stories, letters
from working men from every
capital in Europe, will be unique in
this respect, that they will comprise
the work of some of the leading
writers of the day, together with
articles descriptive of the life, work,
and ambitions of those living across
the bridges. Among the contri-
butors to the first, second, and third
numbers are Colonel Amery, First
Lord of the Admiralty, Osbert
Burdett, Alec Paterson, Gilbert
Franklin, P. H. Ridge, Arlington
Robinson, J. A. Sponder, H. W.
Massingham, Stacey Ammoner, F.
Swinerton, Norman Angell, A. A.
Milne, C. S. Evans, Louis Golding,
Gordon and Donald Maxwell, and
Alfred Ollivant.

The Bookshop out, of which the
review has grown was started three
years ago in a little house in Ber-
mondsey-street, not primarily as a
place where books could be bought,
but where they could be read, and
the love of good literature fostered
and encouraged. A coloured sign
swings an invitation above a narrow
doorway, which opens to the wel-
come of a cosy room, where all
kinds of the best books nestle
together on the shelves. Upstairs
there is a general room, where all
may come and talk, make them-
selves at home and listen to lectures
and debates. Every Sunday night
in the winter there is a debate or
lecture. On weekdays there are
eloquence and French classes, and
helpful talks on books.

For many in Bermondsey and
from other parts the bookshop pro-
vides a little retreat in which the
world of work and worry and the
hard problems of ways and means,
become for a few hours but the
shadow of a dream. In the reading
of books, the endless discussions of
life and literature, and the intimate
talks about those which have
brought beauty and warmth to the
world, there is to be found the secret
of its success. It is the hope of
those who founded the bookshop
and are responsible for the publica-
tion of the book, that other shops
of the same kind may be opened in
all the poorer quarters of London,
so that the love of literature may
become a common bond, not only
between all peoples, but all classes
of peoples.

JOSEPH CONRAD.

A PEN PORTRAIT.

He is not so tall as he seems. He
is very restless. He paces an
imaginary quarterdeck and occa-
sionally peers through the little
windows of his quaint house as if
searching the weather. A caged sea
lion, I thought. His shrug and play
of hands are Gallic, or Polish, as
you please, and his eyes, shining or
clouded, are not of our race, they
are Slavic; even the slightly ruffled
voice is Slavic. One of the most
beautiful languages is the Polish—
the French of the Slav tongues as it
has been called. When Mr. Conrad
speaks English, which he does with
rapidity and clearness of enuncia-
tion, you can hear, rather over-
hear, the foreign cadence, the soft slur-
ring of syllables so characteristic of
Polish speech; in a word, he is more
foreign looking than I had expected.

He speaks French with fluency and
purity, and he often lapses into it
during our conversation. Like
many another big man, he asked
more questions than he answered
mine. I underwent the same
experience with Walt Whitman
at Camden, who was an adept
in the gentle art of pumping
visitors. In the case of Joseph
Conrad his curiosity is prompted by
his boundless sympathy for all
things human. He is, as you may
have surmised by his writings, the
most human and lovable of men.
He takes an interest in everything
except bad art, which moves him to
a vibrating indignation, and he is
extremely sympathetic when speak-
ing of the work of his contemporaries. What a lesson for the
critic with the barbed-wire method
would be the remarks of Conrad
upon art and artists! Naturally, he
has his gods, his half-gods, and his
major deceptions. The Bible and
Flaubert were his companions
throughout the many years he
voyaged in strange, southern seas.
From the Bible he absorbed his
racy, idiomatic, and dispassionate Eng-
lish; from the supple shining prose
of the great French writer he learned
the art of writing sentences, their
comely shape, and vigorous,
rhythmic gait, their colour, per-
fume; the passionate music of words
and their helpful power. He also
studied other masters. He is an
admirer of Poe, Hawthorne, Walt
Whitman, and Henry James among
American writers.

—J. H.

BITS FROM BOOKS.

Footwork!
G. P. Huntley has his own views
on the subject of "work." He once
said to me, "You know, Jupp, old
sport, my favourite hobby is foot-
work, yes, that's it—footwork. I
work on Monday and fret all the
rest of the week."—"The Gaiety
Stage Door," by James Jupp.
(Jonathan Cape.) 16s. net.

"Told by an Idiot."

"Marriage is an action too freely
practised and too seldom adequately
considered."

"Men will be men. They'll never
be civilised where women are con-
cerned, most of them."

"To be a little in love is fun, and
makes enchantment of the days. A
little in love, a little taste of that
hot, blinding cup—but only enough
to stimulate, not to blind. One is
so often a little in love."—"Told
by an Idiot," by Rose Macaulay.
(Collins.) 7s. 6d. net.

"Gilbertianisms."

"W. S. Gilbert was a master of
small talk. His knack of painting
a portrait in a word was peculiarly
his own, and sometimes pretty, as
when he said of that *rara avis*, a
real old lady, all lace and brocade
and sloping shoulders: 'She belongs
to the early Keatsian period.' There
was uncomplimentary discus-
sion of a matron of too ample
proportions, when Gilbert put in
tolerantly: 'After all, she's quite
nice, only I prefer a woman to be
as long as she is broad.' He in-
variably had a lady on each side
at dinner at his own house. Once,
when surrounded by quite a bevy,
he was asked why he was incoor-
dinate, and he answered: 'Because I
am too good to be true.'—"W. S.
Gilbert: His Life and Letters," by
Sidney Dark and Rowland Grey.
(Methuen.) 15s. net.

On Reading Chesterton.

"At one moment one wants to
kneel before G. K. Chesterton, at
another to kick him. While read-
ing *The Napoleon of Notting Hill*
I caught myself exclaiming at inter-
vals: 'Let us all go mad!' That is
the effect he has on me as often as
not. In finishing a chapter by him
I sometimes experience quite a
shock at the discovery that I am not
standing on my head. And then I
am assailed by misgivings. Perhaps
the world is topsy-turvy after all,
and he is its supreme prophet. No
doubt the truth lies somewhere half-
way between those extremes. For
Chesterton is half-god, half-village-

BOOKS RECOMMENDED.

Land and Sea Tales for Scouts and
Guides. By Rudyard Kipling.
Macmillan. 4s.

The English Secret and Other
Essays. By Basil de Selincourt.
Oxford University Press.
10s. 6d.

Realities and Shams. By L. R.
Jacks. Williams and Norgate.
6s.

A Second Scrap Book. By George
Saintsbury. Macmillan. 7s. 6d.
H. G. Wells. By Ivor Brown.
Nisbet. 2s.

Jaane Arston. By Ixonia Villard.
Intro. by R. Brimley Johnson.
Routledge. 10s. 6d.

One Hundred Years of the Chinese
in Singapore. By Song Ong
Siang. Murray. 30s.

China. By Emilio Fovelguio.
Translated by Mrs. Lawrence
Binyon. Dent. 7s. 6d.

Wild Life in Devon. By Douglas
Gordon. Murray. 7s. 6d.

The Animal Kingdom. By J.
Stuart Thomson. The Sheldon
Press. 6s.

A Tract on Monetary Reform. By
John Maynard Keynes. Mac-
millan. 7s. 6d.

Musical Criticism. By M. D. Cal-
vocoressi. Oxford University
Press. 6s. 6d.

The Youngest Drama. By Ashley
Dukes. Benn. 8s. 6d.

The Path to the Sun. By Notta
Syrett. Hutchinson. 7s. 6d.

The Imperturbable Duchess. By
J. D. Beresford. Collins.
7s. 6d.

Doomsland. By Shane Leslie.
Chatto and Windus. 7s. 6d.

The Richest Man. By Edward
Shanks. Collins. 7s. 6d.

Island of the Innocent. By Grant
Overton. Gylendal. 7s. 6d.

La Bodega. By Vicente Blasco
Ibanez. Fisher Unwin. 7s. 6d.

When It Was June. By Alice
Lowther. Hogarth Press. 4s.

The Ladies of Lyndon. By Mar-
garet Kennedy. Heinemann.
7s. 6d.

Erowshan. By Samuel Butler.
Cape. 12s. 6d.

A Traveller in Little Things. Birds
of La Plata. By W. H. Hud-
son. Dent. Collected Edition.

On Life and Letters. Balthasar.
By Anatole France. Lane.
2s. 6d. each.

idion. Which may be another way
of saying that he is quintessentially
English.—"A Persian Critic," by
Hezekiah Pearson. (Chapman &
Dodd.) 3s. 6d.

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in the world and get
the biggest laughs in
the world.

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TO-DAY at 2.30

ON THE JUMP.

PICKFORD-FAIRBANKS
CHAPLIN STUDIOS.

Activity and more activity, with everybody on the jump, is the order of every day at the Pickford-Fairbanks and Chaplin studios. Not an employee on the lot has time even to think of the talk of slump in pictures.

Mary Pickford in "Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall" is reported as being nearly one-half under way, while Margal Neilan, the director, is making great progress on the exterior scenes surrounding Haddon Hall.

For the last several days scenes of regal splendour depicting the regime of Queen Elizabeth have been enacted in and around the grounds of the Haddon Hall set, an exact replica of the original, and exact copies of the most artistically beautiful setting ever put up for any photoplay. Finished in the colouring of the original sandstone buildings, surrounded by beautiful grounds, gardens and trees, with terraces and clinging ivy, Haddon Hall has become one of the show places of Hollywood.

Production work on the exterior is going forward rapidly in anticipation of the rainy season, when the interior and more intimate action will be shot. Neilan declares he will have "Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall" finished well within schedule time, and that by the first of the coming year this newest Mary Pickford production will be ready for showing.

Douglas Fairbanks' "The Thief of Bagdad" is more than three-fourths completed.

The biggest mob scenes are scheduled for shooting this week, and will complete the scenes of general magnitude and splendour, leaving only those scenes depicting fantasy and magic to be filmed. Cutting and editing of the finished portions is well under way.

"The Thief of Bagdad" Mr. Fairbanks asserts, will show some of his greatest screen work, both dramatically as well as from the athletic standpoint, and will eclipse in grandeur and beauty anything heretofore shown on the silver sheet.

At the Chaplin studio the prevailing stillness and quietude presents a distinct contrast to the bustling activities of the Pickford-Fairbanks lot, but the difference is that the activity of Chaplin does not show on the surface. The creator of "A Woman of Paris" has gone into seclusion and is preparing the story for his next picture which, his associates say, will be a rip-roaring comedy of possibly not more than three reels.

Chaplin and his staff already have made one trip to Truckee in search of locations and arrangements have been made for the studio company to winter there as soon as a good layer of snow covers the ground.

"THE FOURTEENTH MAN."

ADVENTURE AND ROMANCE.

Robert Warwick has the rôle of a romantic adventurer in "The Fourteenth Man," the picture in which he will be featured at the Star Theatre to-morrow. He is a twentieth century knight of the old school who will fight from the drop of the hat for a fair lady or an underdog who appears to be getting the worst of it.

According to the story, the hero, who is a captain in a Highland regiment, gets himself into difficulties with his superior officer through his impetuous qualities and is forced to depart hurriedly for America. In this country also, he encounters further adventures in the bohemian quarters of New York and, later, in the prize ring. A pretty lady is involved, and the story finally ends happily.

"The Fourteenth Man" was adapted from "The Man From Blankley's," the stage play in which the famous English actor, Charles Haytrey, starred with great success for several seasons. Bebe Daniels, Sylvia Ashton, and Walter Hiers are included in the cast surrounding Robert Warwick. Joseph Henabery directed the picture, which is a Paramount Artcraft release.

CINEMA CHATTER.

"SUDS."

MARY PICKFORD'S NEW
COMEDY.

Having won the hearts of the world and established herself as the greatest exponent of child characters on the stage and screen, the ever versatile Mary Pickford will shortly be seen here in "Suds," a United Artists photoplay of an entirely different nature to anything, in which she has heretofore appeared.

The theme of "Suds" is based on Maude Adam's famous play, "Op o' Me Thumb," which she presented for a long time at the Empire Theatre in New York as well as on her triumphal tours of America. It is from the dual pen of Frederick Penn and Richard Pryce, two brilliant young English authors.

For several years Miss Pickford has had the character of Amanda Alllick in mind and has been waiting the opportunity to present it in the proper manner and with the proper settings.

Since the completion of "Pollyanna" in the latter part of 1919, Miss Pickford has been at work with her staff of assistants on "Suds." Over four months were spent in the adaptation of the story for the screen by several of the best scenario writers in the photoplay profession, and this versatile little star went over the entire story again and again, word for word, until in its type-written form it was a photoplay gem.

Not until she was satisfied that the story was flawless would Miss Pickford begin rehearsals and production. In the meantime her technical staff had been at work on interior and exterior settings. Photographs of several streets of London slums were taken by Miss Pickford's English representatives and these were sent to the studio and exact reproductions were constructed in the huge lot adjoining her dressing room. Several other authorities on life and costume in the Boho districts were also called in and the work was continued until the settings and scenes were pronounced perfect even to the most minor details.

The photoplay colony as well as the city of Los Angeles was combed for people to appear in the crowded street scenes and when everything was to the entire satisfaction Miss Pickford gave orders for the filming to start.

An example of the care which America's Sweetheart lavished on the production of "Suds" is shown in the fact that she had the entire country ransacked for the most voice-borne and dispassioned looking horse obtainable to pull the laundry delivery wagon which is used in the story.

And instead of using two cameramen as she did in "Pollyanna" and her other productions Miss Pickford had three photographers constantly at work under the supervision of Charles Rosher who is responsible for the splendid photography in all her recent productions.

Jack Dillon is director in charge of "Suds," and he, together with Waldemar Young who wrote the scenario, have worked with Miss Pickford ever since she first contemplated the play for production.

Miss Pickford in "Suds" is an entirely new Mary Pickford. The play is seemingly funny throughout excepting for the bit of pathos which is introduced in her hopeless love affair which is really only in the flights of her very vivid imagination.

This production will show off the dramatic and artistic ability of the little star to an advantage never before seen.

PROGRAMME FEATURES.

TO-NIGHT.

Coronet—Estelle Taylor in
"Thorns and Orange Blossoms."World—Pauline Frederick in
"The Sting of the Lash."

Star—Charles Chaplin in "The Pilgrim."

GOING THE LIMIT.

ATHLETIC "DOUG" EXCELS HIMSELF.

Ample evidence of the exceptional athletic prowess of Douglas Fairbanks is known the world over, but the most notable example of his willingness to undergo severe physical punishment before the camera is contained in his forthcoming United Artists production, "The Mollycoddle."

Since Fairbanks has ever been known to display courage, and during his screen career he has done nearly every conceivable stunt although with such grace and ease that the real truth of his exertion has not been revealed, the assurance that he has little fear of bodily injury when he undertakes one of his typical "scrap" is not astonishing.

His engagement of Wallace Beery to portray the rôle of the exceedingly villainous "heavy" in "The Mollycoddle" is proof of his fearlessness in that he had full knowledge that the story would carry himself and Beery through one of the longest and toughest fights known to pictures.

Fairbanks is five feet ten inches in height and weighs about one hundred and sixty-five pounds, while Beery towers over him by four inches and has an advantage in weight of forty pounds. It is true that Doug is ever in perfect physical condition but on the other hand Beery likewise keeps himself in time always, a wrestler of no mean ability, a good boxer and on top of this a student of Jiu Jitsu, which gives him adequate knowledge of the terrible secrets of the Japanese methods of snuffing out a human life by a mere poking of a finger at some vital spot.

In order that his fight would be realistic Fairbanks did not make it known that there was such a scene until a few minutes before it was filmed. Then he outlined it to Beery and they both smiled. "The star knew what it meant for him to struggle over cliffs, down the side of steep embankments, into a tall tree and then continuing fighting to the ground" with a man of Beery's size and physical power.

Film battles of this character are not tactics of the camera. They are waged as if the contestants were the deadliest of enemies. It was on this basis that Fairbanks and Beery went through their lengthy battle and with the results that will practically make their hair stand up on a bald head.

Beery's performance in "The Mollycoddle" is his initial one with the Fairbanks organization. He has appeared in many screen productions and he is one of the most sought-after character "heavies" in the film world. Many will despise him for his work in this "Big Four" picture, not because his characterization is not excellent but because of the type he has made ring so true. It is a mean portrayal and yet it will doubtless add thousands of admirers to his already great popularity with the "fans."

DASHING "DOUG."

GREAT FIGHT IN NEW FILM.

A real fight in which the only weapons used are bare knuckles, adds to the many thrills included in "The Mollycoddle," the third United Artists Corporation production offered by Douglas Fairbanks, which will be shown at the Coronet Theatre on Tuesday next.

During his long career as a screen star Douglas Fairbanks has had many "battles" of a more or less spectacular nature. In some cases he has had just the "villain" to handle and in others he has, even gone so far as to "beat up" an entire gang. Without exception all previous fights indulged in by the athletic star have been rehearsed, but not so with the fight in "The Mollycoddle."

"It was the toughest fight I have ever had," smiled the star after the scene was filmed. "I'll say so, too," volunteered Wallace Beery, who was Doug's opponent and likewise the player who shoulders the thankless burden of "villain" in the picture.

The big feature of it all was the fact that no member of the company knew that there was such a scene to be taken until a few minutes before it was disclosed what was coming next. In writing the story Fairbanks had planned the fight but did not mention it because he was seeking realism.

In referring to the encounter with Beery, the star speaks of the episode as "the two-mile battle." That is the amount of territory covered. The first blow is struck while the two men are on the edge of a cliff. They clinch and a moment later fall fifty feet into a tall tree below.

Even now there is no let-up and while the two men struggle, limb after limb of the tree gives way until they finally strike the ground. There is more fighting and still more thrills as the two reach the edge of an overhanging rock, at last falling headlong through thirty feet of space and crashing through the roof of an adobe hut.

It was at this point that those who watched the fight thought the finish had been reached. But Doug, cut and bruised and grinning yelled, "We've only started," and the two clashed again. For many yards the two battered each other and so serious did things look that a number of the onlookers wanted to stop it.

But a river bank was reached and the fight was still on. Even after the contestants were hurled into the water they continued to hammer away at each other and away they were swept by the fast moving stream.

Just what the turn of affairs was is better seen than told. But when it was all over both Beery and Fairbanks knew they had been fighting. They came back to the camera stand and between gasps agreed that whether the camera got it all or not, once was sufficient. And the camera did get it all.

"MY BOY."

JACKIE COOGAN'S NEW
PICTURE.

"My Boy," Jackie Coogan's latest starring vehicle for Associated First National release, is coming to the Coronet Theatre, on Saturday next.

In this instance the little star has been given a better story than Peck's "Bad Boy," which broke theatre records all over the country, and "My Boy" is destined to become a world "hit."

The little genius plays the part of Jackie Blair, who lands at Ellis Island, an orphan alien. He manages to break through the immigration barriers, but has some

The 14th Man

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TO-MORROW AT THE STAR

LIONEL BARRYMORE.

STARRING IN GRIFFITH
FILM.

Lionel Barrymore, in addition to his successful starring venture with David Belasco, has been engaged to play the part of Walter Butler in the forthcoming D. W. Griffith film production, "America."

Mr. Barrymore comes back to Mr. Griffith after many years. It was some ten years ago, in the old Biograph days, that Lionel Barrymore became a member of a stock company organized by Mr. Griffith, thus beginning his screen career under Griffith direction. He continued screen work for several years, and then returned to stage productions.

The rôle for which he has been selected in "America" is one demanding exceptional versatility and force. He will do his screen work daytime and Sunday, keeping his evening and matinee engagements at the theatre.

In addition to Mr. Barrymore the cast for "America" now includes Caryl Dempster, Neil Hamilton, Erville Alderson, Marie Burke, with many of the important minor rôles still to be placed.

stronous adventures in the "land of the free." His irresistible personality, however, wins him friends on every hand and he has no difficulty finding a home.

Claude Dillingwater and Mathilda Brundage are the chief members of the supporting cast.

ESTELLE TAYLOR.

A REAL ROMANCE OF THE
SCREEN.

Is luck a factor in becoming a screen actress? Estelle Taylor modestly claims it is while those who have seen her not in "Thorns and Orange Blossoms" now at the Coronet Theatre claim that she disproves her own theory, that ability alone counts.

Miss Taylor got into the movies by what is known as "the indirect method of casting." When hundreds of aspirants storm the office of the casting director and still that much tried individual fails to find the type he wants he no longer waits for the right one to come along but goes out himself and finds her.

Unknown to her prospects he looks them over, usually from a fifth row aisle seat in the popular plays of the moment running on Broadway and if they please they will in all probability receive an advantageous offer to appear before the camera in the course of a few days.

Countless screen artists have been raised from an obscure rôle in legitimate drama to a big future in screen work. A casting director from Meigs, for instance, saw Bert Lytell in an Irene Fenwick play "Mary's Ankles," and a starring contract was only a matter of moments. Similarly, D. W. Griffith cast Joseph Schildkraut for "Orphans of the Storm" and Henry Hull for "One Exciting Night."

This is what Estelle Taylor calls "luck." When Miss Taylor decided that Wilmington, Delaware, was too small a town in which to develop her talents she came to New York with the ambition of becoming an expert secretary with the aid of an Underwood No. 5 and a knowledge of Isaac Pitman shorthand. Under the pressure of persuasion from friends, Estelle decided to attend a dramatic school after hours and a stage offer was the natural outcome.

It was while she was playing in George Hobart's farce, "Come On Charley," that a casting director wandering over from the Fox studios saw her and decided that she was the girl to play in "The Adventurer." A contract resulted and Miss Taylor has never had a chance since to pick up the stray ends of her stage career.

Although of a quiet personality off-stage it has been her lot always to be cast as a vampire. "While New York Sleeps," "Monte Cristo" and "A Fool There Was" have seen her in similar rôles. Rosita Mendez, her play name in "Thorns and Orange Blossoms," isn't the ordinary conception of the wicked lady of the films. She follows the beaten track of the vampire in being an alluring creature of whom wives and fiancées will do well to be wary, but she is at the same time appealing and creates for herself the most interesting and sympathetic rôle in the piece.

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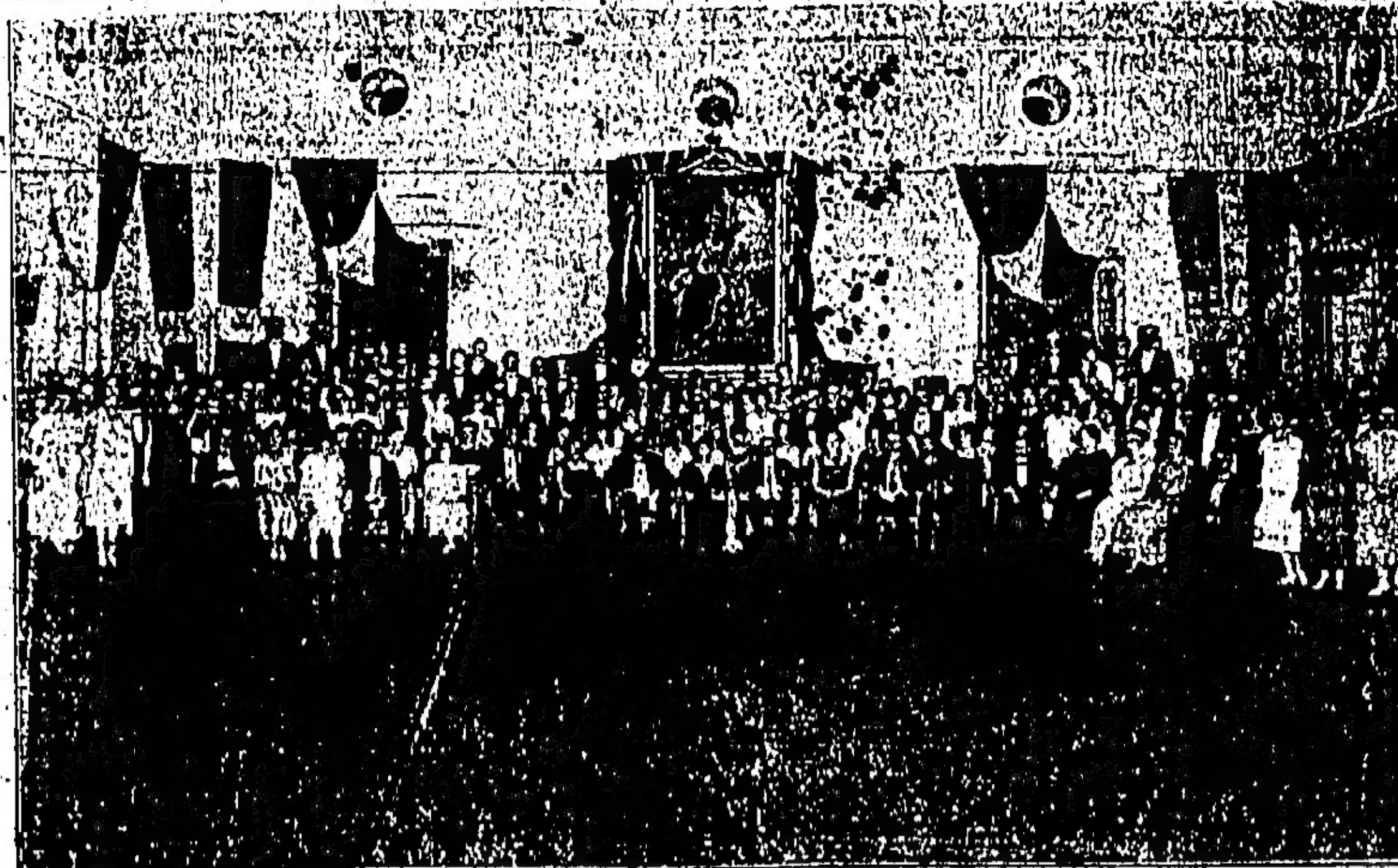


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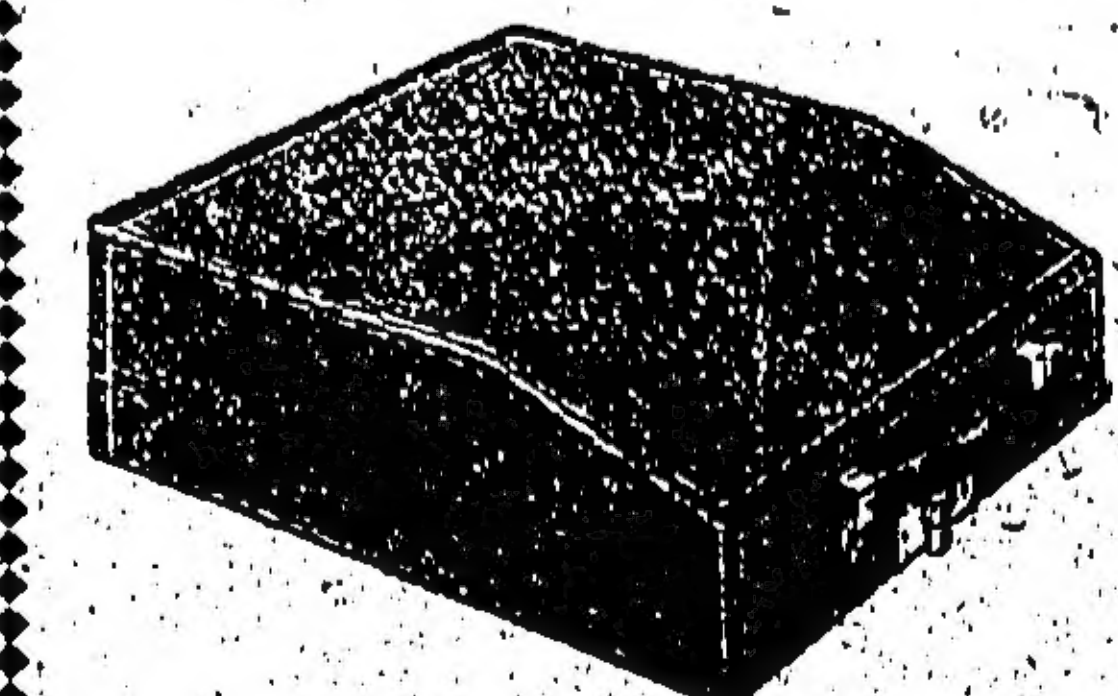
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ITEMS FROM FAR AND
NEAR.

The four babies to which a
Llanfairfechan (Carnarvonshire)
woman gave birth, have died.

The French Government was
beaten by 331 votes to 200 in the
Chamber on its proposals for
bonuses for civil servants.

A Bill forbidding newspaper
competitions which depend wholly
or partly on chance will be in-
troduced shortly in the French
Chamber.

Side by side, a cheque for £1,000
and a bag of 1,200 farthings collect-
ed by infants in a Hammersmith
School, were found in the appeal
box at the West London Hospital.

The Rockefeller Foundation has
given £14,000 to the Welsh
National School of Medicine at
Cardiff for the building of new
laboratories and providing extend-
ed clinical facilities.

Eighty sheep, frightened at
night by dogs, stampeded into
deep mud in the bed of a mill race
at Chatterton, Northumberland.
Thirty were suffocated and the
rest had to be destroyed.

Mrs. Pryce Hamer, the wife of a
railway platelayer of Trefeglwys,
Montgomeryshire, had both her
arms torn off in trying to rescue
from beneath a train her 5-years-
old nephew, who lost both legs
and an arm, and died shortly
afterwards.

The Military Directory of Spain
which is headed by General Primo
de Rivera announces that it will
continue in existence indefinitely
in view of the favourable reception
the public have given to its first
three months of administration.

Henry Boom, 24, sentenced to
four months' hard labour at Grimsby
for stealing jewellery, broke into
his employer's shop, stole jewellery
from the window, and later pledged
it in the pawn broking department
of the same firm.

The Indian organisations in
Kenya, formerly British East Africa,
urging the Indians there to boycott
the new franchise registration,
and the Indian members of the
Legislative Council, have re-
signed as a protest against the
restrictive Immigration Bill.

Mrs. Constance Emsley Taylor,
an actress whose stage name is
Constance Worth, was granted a
divorce nisi in the Divorce Court
on the ground of desertion and
adultery by her husband, Mr.
Alfred Herbert Taylor, profes-
sionally known as Dan Rolyat.

Speaking at the P. and O.
meeting in London on the
possibilities of a Labour Govern-
ment, Lord Inchiquin said that he
did not fear a Labour Govern-
ment coming into power; the sobering
effect of responsibility was great,
as he had himself experienced.
The point the ordinary man
is concerned about is whether
the sobering effect will extend
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not that the outside disruptive
elements may render the position
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Ten hours 120
Eleven hours 130
Twelve hours 140
Thirteen hours 150
Fourteen hours 160
Fifteen hours 170
Sixteen hours 180
Seventeen hours 190
Eighteen hours 200
Nineteen hours 210
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Twenty-one hours 230
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Fourteen hours 160
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Ten hours 120 140
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